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Title: **SOLID PHARMACEUTICAL
COMPOSITION CONTAINING
BENZOFURAN DERIVATIVES**

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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF APPLICATION FOR
EXTENSION OF PATENT TERM
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 156 AND PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.785(b)**

This is in response to the Notice of Final Determination and Requirement for Election mailed on July 12, 2012, by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, setting a one month period for response set to expire on August 12, 2012. This response is timely filed.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.785(b), Applicant elects U.S. Patent No. 5,223,510 for patent term extension based upon the regulatory review of MULTAQ[®] (dronedarone hydrochloride), i.e., Applicant does not elect the above-referenced U.S. Patent No. 7,323,493.

It is believed that no fees are due in connection with this submission. However, should it be determined that fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 18-1982, upon which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Respectfully submitted,

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